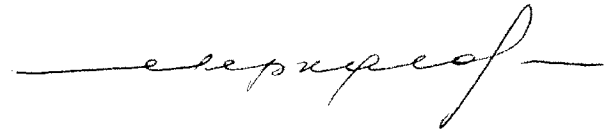


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REMARKS

Claims 1 to 16 are currently active in the application. By the present amendment claims 3-5, 7, 9, 10, 13, and 14 to 16 have been amended to avoid multiple dependent form. Please consider the present amendment prior to the examination on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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